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## POSTAL DEFICIT REDUCED WITHOUT CUTTING SERVICE

Postmaster General Eliminated Waste and Increased Efficiency.

Extension of Usefulness of Department.

DISCUSSED IN HIS REPORT.

Washington, Dec. 12.—Postmaster General Hitchcock submitted the following report today:

A year ago the fiscal records of the postal service disclosed a deficit of seventeen and a half million dollars, the largest in the history of the country. In the space of twelve months a reduction of eleven and a half millions has been made in this deficit, the excess of expenditures over receipts as reported for the year ended June 30 last amounting to only \$5,848,566.88.

It is most gratifying to report that this unprecedented reduction has been made without any curtailment of postal facilities. On the contrary the service has been largely extended.

**Extension of Service.**  
There were established during the year over 1,500 new postoffices, while the rural delivery system was greatly extended by putting into operation 515 new routes, traversing altogether 12,256 miles.

There were appointed from the eligible lists of the civil service commission over 1,500 postoffice clerks to enlarge the working forces of city postoffices and over 1,000 additional letter carriers. The railway mail service was strengthened by the appointment of about 750 employees, all of whom were taken from the civil service eligible list. The aggregate salaries of the new civil-service employees appointed during the year exceeded \$2,600,000.

Not only were these numerous appointments placed on the rolls, but the department made liberal increases in the compensation of employees already in the service. About \$1,750,000 was expended in advancing the salaries of postoffice clerks, while the compensation of city letter carriers was raised to the extent of \$1,226,000. Railway mail clerks received increases of salary aggregating nearly \$250,000.

All increases in the compensation of postoffice employees were based on a recently adopted system of efficiency ratings that has had a most beneficial effect on the service.

**Second-Class Mail.**  
In the last annual report of the department special attention was directed to the enormous loss the government sustains in the handling and transportation of second-class mail. Owing to the rapid increase in the volume of such mail the loss is constantly growing. A remedy should be promptly applied by charging more postage. In levying the higher rates it is believed that a distinction should be made between advertising matter and what is termed legitimate conditions. Under present conditions an increase in the postage on reading matter is not recommended. Such an increase would place a special burden on a large number of second-class publications, including educational and religious periodicals that derive little or no profit from advertising. It is the circulation of this type of publications, which aid so effectively in the educational and moral advancement of the people, that the government can best afford to encourage. For these publications, and also for any other legitimate reading matter in periodical form, the department favors a continuation of the present low postage rate of 1 cent a pound, and recommends that the proposed increase in rate be applied only to magazine advertising matter. This plan would be in full accord with the statute governing second-class mail, a law that never

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**December and May.**  
Five years older than twice the age of his bride, William Belcher, a farmer from Reevesville, Ill., and Miss Gracie Wilkins, of Reevesville, Ill., were married today at the court house by County Judge Alben W. Barkley. The bride is just sweet 16 while the groom is 37 years old.

## THE WEATHER

The predictions and temperature for the past twenty-four hours will be found at the top of the seventh column on page 1.

## White is Appointed Chief Justice of United States by President Taft and Confirmed by Senate

Louisiana Democrat, Named Associate Justice by Grover Cleveland, Will Preside Over Greatest Court.

Washington, Dec. 12.—The senate this afternoon confirmed the appointment of Justice Edward Douglass White to be chief justice. Justice White is a native of Louisiana and a Democrat. He is 55 years old and was appointed by Grover Cleveland in 1894.

**Other Nominations.**  
The senate this afternoon confirmed the appointment of Edward Douglass White as chief justice of the supreme court. The president also presented the following other nominations:

Judge Willis Vandeventer and Judge Joseph Lamar, as associate justices.

The following to comprise the commerce court:  
Martin W. Knapp, Robert W. Archbold, William H. Hunt, John Emmett Garland and Julian W. Mack. The following new members of the interstate commerce commission: One to succeed Knapp and the other Commissioner Cockrell: Balthasar H. Meyer, of Wisconsin, and C. C. McChord, of Kentucky, now president of National Association of Railroad Commissioners.

The senate probably will speedily confirm all nominations in executive session this afternoon.

The new supreme justices will be sworn in after the court's holiday recess, January 2. The interstate commerce commission will select its own chairman to succeed Knapp. The nomination of Fred W. Lehman as solicitor general also was confirmed.

**Hecht & Company to Leave.**  
The firm of Hecht & company, wholesale clothiers, is considering a change of location, and probably will remove from Paducah to some larger city. The officers of the company admit that the firm probably will be removed from Paducah. The firm has been located in Paducah for over 25 years, and does a large business.

**Print Paper Shipments.**  
Washington, Dec. 12.—Shipments of news print paper during October last were greater than in any previous month since these statistics have been gathered by the commissioner of corporation. The net shipments totalled 102,878 tons, the previous maximum, last June, having been 96,667 tons. The result was a decrease of 46,743 tons of stock on hand at the end of October as compared with 48,846 at the end of September. Other principal grades of paper showed moderate increases in production during October, and as a rule somewhat larger increases in shipments.

**SETTLE CAPITOL SITE.**  
Oklahoma Senate Capitol Committee Finally Reaches Agreement.

Oklahoma City, Okla., Dec. 12.—The senate capitol committee reached an agreement with the donors of the northwest capitol site, and the latter have executed a contract and a bond for \$100,000. The committee will report to the senate that the site be accepted. It consists of 650 acres, 20 acres of which are to constitute the site proper, the remainder to be sold as town lots within three years and a fund of one million dollars raised with which to erect the capitol.

## ARREST IS MADE IN QUADRUPLE MURDER

Kansas City, Kas., Dec. 12.—Police Chief Zimmer returned here this morning from the scene of the quadruple murder on the Bernhardt farm near Dallas, Mo. He brought with him John Fagler, a farm hand, employed near the Bernhardt farm, who is suspected of having knowledge of the crime.

GOOD FELLOWS are requested to fill out the following blank and mail it to The Evening Sun or the PHILANTHROPIC DEPARTMENT of the Woman's club, 214 South Seventh street.  
I will be Santa Claus to \_\_\_\_\_ children.  
I will deliver the presents to "my children" myself.  
or  
I will want the department to deliver the presents to "my children."  
Signed \_\_\_\_\_  
Address \_\_\_\_\_  
(Be sure to designate whether you will deliver the presents yourself.)

## COMMERCIAL CLUB WILL CONSIDER MANY QUESTIONS

Interurban System and New Factory Projects Before Body.

Plans For Next Year To Be Discussed.

TUESDAY NIGHT AT PALMER

Several vitally important propositions, which, if they materialize will mark a substantial addition to Paducah's commerce, will be up before the Commercial club tomorrow night. They are: A proposition for an interurban railway from Paducah to Lone Oak, Mayfield, Arlington, Melber and Wickliffe.

A proposition for an overall manufacturing plant employing about 75 men and women.

A proposition for an enameling plant.

A proposition for locating a large cigar manufactory.  
A proposition to resurrect the old glass plant for the purpose of making glass blocks for building purposes.  
According to Secretary S. A. Fowler, of the Commercial club New York parties claim to have a right of way through Graves county from Wickliffe up to Leader, Ky., near the McCracken county line and if Paducah merchants will form an organization the company will finance an interurban line connecting Paducah with the Graves county points. It is said the Paducah Traction company may join in the line, extending its line to Lone Oak.

The matter of inviting the Fendrick Cigar company, one of the largest in the country to Paducah from Evansville, will be discussed. The company's plant burned last week and it is said it is seeking a new location. A proposition for an overall factory employing a large number of hands will also be brought up as well as that of bringing an enameling concern here.

Secretary Fowler has received a letter from the Stand Glass factory at Frankfort, which seeks a new location. The company manufactures glass blocks for building purposes and in case it is secured the old glass factory may be revived.

An invitation probably will be extended the Kentucky Federation of Commercial clubs to hold its annual meeting here in 1911. Secretary Fowler will attend a meeting of executive committee in Owensboro on December 15.

The basis of membership for the ensuing year and proposed plans will be discussed tomorrow night. All of the members are asked to attend the meeting which will be held at 7:30 o'clock in the parlors of the Palmer House.

**A Family Reunion.**

A family reunion was held yesterday at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Jesse Bennett in the county near Grahamville. A dinner was served in honor of Mr. and Mrs. John Evers who will remove to Metropolis in a short time. Those present were: Mr. and Mrs. Elwood Neel, Mr. and Mrs. Courtney Neel, Mrs. Tell Binkley and daughter, Miss Mary Billingsley, and John Evers and family.

## UNION OF LABORERS WILL BE ORGANIZED TOMORROW

A Laborers' union will be organized tomorrow night at the Central Labor Union with about 30 charter members. The new union will be installed by R. M. Miles assisted by the members of the Central Labor Union. The charter has arrived and the new union will be known as No. 13,104.

## TAMMANY HALL IS PARTLY SCORCHED

FAMOUS POLITICAL CLUB AND TONY PASTOR'S THEATER THE SCENE.

New York, Dec. 12.—Historic Tammany Hall was partly destroyed by fire early today, causing a loss of \$50,000. The Olympic theater, formerly conducted by Tony Pastor, and really the first birthplace of "refined vaudeville," was seriously damaged. In a strong wind the flames threatened the Central hotel, from which 200 guests fled, and the Academy of Music. The fire was discovered shortly after a big dance had ended in Tammany Hall.

## Arthur Miles, Louisville Maniac Murderer, Who Made Escape From Hopkinsville Asylum, Was Here

Paddled Down Cumberland River, Landed at Paducah Wharf, Secured Provisions and Took Train at Station.

According to a confession of William Proctor, who with Arthur Miles, the Louisville murderer, escaped from the Hopkinsville asylum on November 23, they landed at the Paducah wharf several days after the escape, and walked up Broadway. After escaping from the asylum the men made their way to the Cumberland river, and paddled down to Paducah. Here they abandoned their skiff and lingered around the business district, where they made purchases. After viewing Paducah, the two men went to the Union station and purchased tickets out of the city. Proctor then claims that Miles left him, and the asylum authorities are in the dark as to his whereabouts. Proctor was recaptured.  
Miles was condemned to die but a jury found him insane.

D. G. Tilley.

D. G. Tilley, 72 years old, died at his home, 1220 Bernheim avenue, Saturday evening at 6:30 o'clock of complications and general debility. He was born in Shelbyville, Ky., and had lived here for 25 years. He was a member of the North Twelfth Street Baptist church. He leaves three daughters and four sons: Mrs. Ellen Sellers, St. Louis; Mrs. Mattie Ford and Miss Bessie Tilley, of Paducah; Messrs. J. A. R. K. and J. W. Tilley, of Paducah, and B. F. Tilley, of Camp Walton, Fla. He also leaves one sister, Mrs. Bettie Lewis, of Mayfield. The funeral was held this morning and burial was at Colliersville. The Rev. J. R. Clark, pastor of the North Twelfth Street Baptist church, officiated.

## STANDARD OIL REFUSED REHEARING OF REBATES

Washington, Dec. 12.—The supreme court today refused to review the conviction of the Standard Oil company, for accepting rebates from New England railroads, and the company must pay its fine of \$21,000.

## OLYMPIC REACHED BY RESCUE BOATS

WIRELESS FROM THE PACIFIC  
STEAMER BRINGS SPEEDY AID.

Valdez, Alaska, Dec. 12.—The steamer June and Dora and the United States government launch Fort Liscomb reached the wreck of the Alaska Steamship company's steamer, Olympic, this morning and immediately began taking off the 52 passengers and crew of 54. A wireless to this effect from the relief vessels lacks details. The Olympic's wireless failed yesterday after its operator had flashed the distress signal, saying: "Heavy seas breaking over us. Position most perilous. All on deck."  
The Olympic left Cordova Saturday night for Valdez in a 50-mile gale. The ship went aground off Bligh Island.

## Thirteen Days to Xmas

DEC. 12

Lucky for you if you shop early.

## WIDOW OF FORMER GOVERNOR KING JOINS HIM AGAIN

Dispatch From Denver Tells of Her Death There Yesterday.

Confederate Veteran Answers Last Summons.

PNEUMONIA CLAIMS VICTIM.

The family of Dr. John G. Brooks received a telegram yesterday evening announcing the death of Mrs. Lee Ann King, widow of the late Governor John Q. A. King, at Denver, Col., at 11 o'clock Sunday morning. No details were given and her death is thought to have been due to infirmities accompanying old age superinduced by a breakdown.

Mrs. King was the mother of Mrs. J. G. Brooks, who, accompanied by Dr. Brooks, left several days ago to attend her bedside. She visited here seven months ago and has many warm personal friends, especially among the older residents. Mrs. King was about 80 years old and formerly lived in Paducah, where her husband, John Q. A. King, practiced law. He was governor of Kentucky for a short time, having filled out an unexpired term. About 35 years ago they moved to Denver, where Governor King died shortly afterwards, and since that time Mrs. King resided with her daughter, Mrs. Nannie K. Bagwell. She was a member of a very prominent family and was a brilliant woman of charming personality. She was widely known in Paducah and was a member of the Christian church.

Besides Mrs. Brooks and Mrs. Bagwell, two other daughters survive: Mrs. Ellen Prackwinkle, of Salt Lake City, Utah, and Mrs. Goode Felthaus, of St. Paul, Minn. The funeral will probably be held this afternoon and her body will be buried in Denver.

Dr. and Mrs. Brooks are expected home the latter part of this week.

## Confederate Veteran Dies.

Albert Ailes Dumaine, 65 years old, a Confederate veteran, answered his last call at 9:50 o'clock this morning at his home, Tenth and Terrell streets. His physicians did not agree as to the exact cause of his death. He had been suffering with what is thought to have been softening of the brain and complications. The beginning of his illness dated back to June 22, and for the past eight weeks he had been confined to his bed.

Dr. Dumaine was a well known and respected truck gardener. He was born in Paris, France, October 5, 1845, and in the early fifties he sailed for the United States, landing at New Orleans. He remained there about a year and then came to Paducah with his father, Albert T. Dumaine, and they engaged in the dairy business until the Civil war broke out. He was 18 years old when he joined the Confederate forces in command of General Tilghman and served for two years. He then returned to Paducah and was engaged in truck gardening since. A familiar face at the marketplace will be missed with his death.

He was a member of the St. Francis de Sales Catholic church. Mr. Dumaine was first married to Miss Pauline Bichon in 1872. She died in 1880 and in 1888 he was married for the second time to Miss Cecile Martin. Her death occurred in 1894. Surviving him are one daughter and two sons: Miss Mary Dumaine and Messrs. Albert and Alexander Dumaine. Mrs. Bertha Husbands is a step-daughter. He leaves three brothers-in-law, Messrs. Ernest Daux, of Pine Bluff, Ark.; Pete and John Bichon, of this city, and three granddaughters: Misses Alma, Mabel and Nola Dumaine.

John D. Melton.

Mr. John D. Melton died this morning at 1 o'clock of pneumonia, at his home, 1027 Burnett street. He was 42 years old and a native of Webster county. Besides his wife and two little sons, Harley and Roy, he is survived by his father, G. F. Melton, of Henderson, and sister, Mrs. Mollie Scott, of Madisonville. The funeral will take place tomorrow afternoon at 1 o'clock at the residence. The burial will be in Oak Grove cemetery. The Rev. D. W. Fooks will officiate.

## Abner Murder Trial.

Paris, Ky., Dec. 12. (Special.)—The cases of Jason Deaton and Tom and John Davidson and Hacker Combs for the murder of John Abner, went to trial today.

## NO FIREWORKS IN CITY CHRISTMAS

POLICE AND FIRE CHIEFS CO-OPERATE TO PREVENT THEIR USE.

This will be a Christmas without fireworks or cannon crackers as the general council last summer is in effect, and it is a violation of the law to retail fireworks as well as to explode the explosives. The ordinance is stringent, and the small boy will have to spend Christmas playing with same toys and eating a feast.

Both Chief of Police Singery and Fire Chief Wood will enforce the ordinance strictly, and today began the publication of an official notice of the ordinance, warning the citizens that prosecutions will follow any violations.

The fire department will establish a record if the city is not visited by a devastating fire before January 1, and Chief Wood believes that the new ordinance is a great aid to keeping down the fire loss. So far this year the total fire loss is about \$20,000 as compared with a loss of \$42,000 last year.

## Small Boats to Caribbean.

Washington, Dec. 12.—The navy department is taking steps to establish an adequate service of small protective municipal boats in the Caribbean sea next year. Orders were sent out today from the department for the Marietta, the Petrel and the Dubuque to repair to those waters early in the year for general service, while the gunboat Paducah has been assigned to survey work on the Central American coast and also will be available for police duty.

## BURGLAR REPENTS AND REPLACES HIS BOOTY

A penitent burglar broke into the residence of Mr. E. Futrell, at Lone Oak, last Friday night. The robbery took place while Mr. Futrell was returning to his home for supper. As he tried to unlock the front door the burglar pushed against it, and finally after a game of hide and seek the burglar escaped. Mr. Futrell missed a fine pistol and a lap robe. A good clew was found and the police were notified of the robbery. Sunday morning when Mr. Futrell awoke he found the pistol wrapped in the lap robe and placed on the back porch.

## ZELAYA DESIRES TO RETURN HOME

NICARAGUAN EXILE SAYS HE HAS HAD NO PEACE IN WANDERINGS.

New York, Dec. 12.—General Jose Zelaya, the deposed president of Nicaragua, will come to the United States soon, to call on President Taft and then appeal to President Estrada, of Nicaragua, for permission to return from his exile in Belgium, according to a letter from him received today by his son, Alfonso. Zelaya declares he will avoid politics. "I have not had a moment's peace since I left my soil," he writes.

## Chicago Market

	Dec.	High.	Low.	Close.
Wheat	91 1/4	91 1/4	90 3/4	91.
Corn	46 1/4	46 1/4	45 3/4	46 1/4.
Oats	31 1/4	31 1/4	31 1/4	31 1/4.